

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

AGENDA

March 10, 2016

**DoubleTree Hotel
Pointe West Conference Room
650 East 24th Street, Holland, MI 49423**

1:00 p.m. NRC Policy Committee on Wildlife and Fisheries

1. Fisheries Update
 - a. Fish Disease Control
 - b. Lake Michigan Management Plan
2. Wildlife Update
 - a. Migratory Game Bird Hunting Seasons; Managed Wetland Area Regulations/Order to Regulate Use of Certain State Game and Wildlife Areas
 - b. Elk Regulations and License Quotas
 - c. Coyote Regulations
 - d. Bear Harvest Allocation
 - e. Bear Population Trend Analysis Update
 - f. Feral Swine Research Area

3:00 p.m. NRC Committee of the Whole

1. Director's Report
2. Legislative Report
3. Committee Reports
 - a. NRC Policy Committee on Wildlife and Fisheries

**Immediately Following
Committee
of the Whole Public Appearances Before the NRC**

The Michigan Natural Resources Commission (NRC) is a seven-member public body whose members are appointed by the Governor and subject to the advice and consent of the Senate

REGULAR MEETING OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

I. FOR INFORMATION ONLY – NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

- A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting Seasons; Managed Wetland Area Regulations
Wildlife Conservation Order Amendment No. 2 of 2016
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- B. Elk Regulations and License Quotas
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- C. Coyote and Nighttime Predator Hunting Regulations
Wildlife Conservation Order Amendment No. 4 of 2016
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- D. Bear Harvest Allocation in Newberry & Red Oak Bear Management Units; Red Oak
Bear Management Unit Bow and Arrow Only Season
Wildlife Conservation Order Amendment No. 5 of 2016
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- E. Fish Disease Control
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FOR INFORMATION ONLY..... 48-67

II. NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION ACTION

- A. Approval of Minutes
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III. FOR INFORMATION ONLY – DIRECTOR

- A. Order to Regulate Use of Managed State Wildlife and Game Areas
Land Use Order of the Director Amendment No. 2 of 2016
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- B. Order to Open Riding Opportunities for Equestrians within the Pigeon River Country
State Forest, Cheboygan and Otsego Counties
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- C. Order to Regulate Certain State-owned Lands, Gladwin, Arenac, Bay, Midland, and
Ogemaw Counties, Feral Swine Research Area, Defined, Prohibited Conduct
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IV. DIRECTOR'S ACTION

- A. Launch of Motorized Watercraft Prohibited from State Lands onto Ely Lake, Little Tom Lake and Crooked Lake; Clyde Township, Allegan County
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B. Land Transactions

1. Sale of Surplus DNR-Managed Land
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8. Forest Resources Land Acquisition
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9. Parks and Recreation Land Acquisition
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Land Transaction Case #20150089..... 117-120

V. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

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